

Major Lessons from the Minor Prophets

Zechariah: Shadows of the Savior

Luke 24:25-27 (ESV)

²⁵ And he said to them, "O foolish ones, and slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken!

²⁶ Was it not necessary that the Christ should suffer these things and enter into his glory?"

²⁷ And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, he interpreted to them in all the Scriptures the things concerning himself.

Overview of Zechariah ...

What Zechariah reveals about **the coming Messiah**:

1. He is _____, yet _____.

Zechariah 3:8 (ESV)

⁸ Hear now, O Joshua the high priest, you and your friends who sit before you, for they are men who are a sign: behold, **I will bring my servant the Branch.**

Zechariah 6:12-13 (ESV)

¹² And say to him, 'Thus says the LORD of hosts, "Behold, the man whose name is **the Branch**: for he shall branch out from his place, and he shall build the temple of the LORD. ¹³ It is he who shall build the temple of the LORD and **shall bear royal honor, and shall sit and rule on his throne.** And there shall be a priest on his throne, and the counsel of peace shall be between them both.'"

Isaiah 11:1 (ESV)

¹ There shall come forth a shoot from the stump of Jesse, and **a branch** from his roots shall bear fruit.

Jeremiah 23:5 (ESV)

⁵ "Behold, the days are coming, declares the LORD, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land.

Luke 1:30-33 (ESV)

³⁰ And the angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. ³¹ And behold, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you shall call his name Jesus. ³² He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High. And the Lord God will give to him **the throne of his father David**, ³³ and he will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of his kingdom there will be no end."

Luke 2:4 (ESV)

⁴ And Joseph also went up from Galilee, from the town of Nazareth, to Judea, to the city of David, which is called Bethlehem, because **he was of the house and lineage of David** ...

And later ...

Zechariah 9:9 (ESV)

⁹ Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion! Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem! **Behold, your king is coming** to you; righteous and having salvation is he, **humble and mounted on a donkey**, on a colt, the foal of a donkey.

Matthew 21:1-5 (ESV)

¹ Now when they drew near to Jerusalem and came to Bethphage, to the Mount of Olives, then Jesus sent two

disciples, ² saying to them, “Go into the village in front of you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied, and a colt with her. Untie them and bring them to me. ³ If anyone says anything to you, you shall say, ‘The Lord needs them,’ and he will send them at once.”

⁴ This took place to fulfill what was spoken by the prophet, saying, ⁵ “Say to the daughter of Zion, ‘Behold, your king is coming to you, humble, and mounted on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a beast of burden.’”

2. He will suffer at the hands of his _____.

Zechariah 13:6 (ESV)

⁶ And if one asks him, ‘What are these wounds on your back?’ he will say, ‘The wounds I received in the house of my friends.’

Mark 14:10-11 (ESV)

¹⁰ Then Judas Iscariot, who was one of the twelve, went to the chief priests in order to betray him to them.

¹¹ And when they heard it, they were glad and promised to give him money. And he sought an opportunity to betray him.

Mark 14:17-20 (ESV)

¹⁷ And when it was evening, he came with the twelve. ¹⁸ And as they were reclining at table and eating, Jesus said, “Truly, I say to you, one of you will betray me, one who is eating with me.”

¹⁹ They began to be sorrowful and to say to him one after another, “Is it I?”

²⁰ He said to them, “It is one of the twelve, one who is dipping bread into the dish with me.

3. He will be _____ for only 30 pieces of silver.

Zechariah 11:12-13 (ESV)

¹² Then I said to them, “If it seems good to you, give me my wages; but if not, keep them.” And they weighed out as my wages **thirty pieces of silver**. ¹³ Then the LORD said to me, “**Throw it to the potter**”—the lordly price at which I was priced by them. So I took the thirty pieces of silver and threw them into the house of the LORD, to the potter.

Matthew 27:3-10 (ESV)

³ Then when Judas, his betrayer, saw that Jesus was condemned, he changed his mind and brought back the **thirty pieces of silver** to the chief priests and the elders, ⁴ saying, “I have sinned by betraying innocent blood.” They said, “What is that to us? See to it yourself.”

⁵ And throwing down the pieces of silver into the temple, he departed, and he went and hanged himself.

⁶ But the chief priests, taking the pieces of silver, said, “It is not lawful to put them into the treasury, since it is blood money.”

⁷ So they took counsel and bought with them **the potter’s field** as a burial place for strangers. ⁸ Therefore that field has been called the Field of Blood to this day. ⁹ Then was fulfilled what had been spoken by the prophet Jeremiah, saying, “And they took the thirty pieces of silver, the price of him on whom a price had been set by some of the sons of Israel, ¹⁰ and they gave them for the potter’s field, as the Lord directed me.”

4. God’s _____ must be poured out for people to repent.

Zechariah 12:10 (ESV)

¹⁰ “And I will pour out on the house of David and the inhabitants of Jerusalem **a spirit of grace and pleas for mercy**, so that, when they look on me, on him whom they have pierced, they shall mourn for him, as one mourns for an only child, and weep bitterly over him, as one weeps over a firstborn.

Revelation 1:7 (ESV)

⁷ Behold, he is coming with the clouds, and every eye will see him, even those who pierced him, and all tribes of the earth will wail on account of him. Even so. Amen.

5. He will be a future fountain of _____ that covers all sin.

Zechariah 13:1 (ESV)

¹ “On that day there shall be a **fountain opened** for the house of David and the inhabitants of Jerusalem, **to cleanse them from sin** and uncleanness.

Matthew 26:26-28 (ESV)

²⁶ Now as they were eating, Jesus took bread, and after blessing it broke it and gave it to the disciples, and said, “Take, eat; this is my body.” ²⁷ And he took a cup, and when he had given thanks he gave it to them, saying, “Drink of it, all of you, ²⁸ for this is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins.

Romans 5:9 (ESV)

⁹ Since, therefore, we have now been justified by his blood, much more shall we be saved by him from the wrath of God.

Revelation 5:9-10 (ESV)

⁹ And they sang a new song, saying, “Worthy are you to take the scroll and to open its seals, for you were slain, and **by your blood you ransomed people for God** from every tribe and language and people and nation, ¹⁰ and you have made them a kingdom and priests to our God, and they shall reign on the earth.”

6. God will strike His _____ whose death will cause all Israel to be scattered.

Zechariah 13:7 (ESV)

⁷ “Awake, O sword, against my shepherd, against the man who stands next to me,” declares the LORD of hosts. “**Strike the shepherd**, and the sheep will be scattered; I will turn my hand against the little ones.

Matthew 26:31 (ESV)

³¹ Then Jesus said to them, “You will all fall away because of me this night. For it is written, ‘I will strike the shepherd, and the sheep of the flock will be scattered.’”

7. A righteous _____ will emerge that faithfully serves the Lord.

Zechariah 13:8-9 (ESV)

⁸ In the whole land, declares the LORD, two thirds shall be cut off and perish, and one third shall be left alive.

⁹ And I will put this third into the fire, and refine them as one refines silver, and test them as gold is tested. They will call upon my name, and I will answer them. I will say, ‘They are my people’; and they will say, ‘The LORD is my God.’”

Romans 11:1-5 (ESV)

¹ I ask, then, has God rejected his people? By no means! For I myself am an Israelite, a descendant of Abraham, a member of the tribe of Benjamin. ² God has not rejected his people whom he foreknew. Do you not know what the Scripture says of Elijah, how he appeals to God against Israel? ³ “Lord, they have killed your prophets, they have demolished your altars, and I alone am left, and they seek my life.” ⁴ But what is God’s reply to him? “I have kept for myself seven thousand men who have not bowed the knee to Baal.” ⁵ So too **at the present time there is a remnant**, chosen by grace.

8. This king will return to defeat all the enemies of God and will establish his kingdom in _____.

Zechariah 14:9 (ESV)

⁹ And the LORD will be king over all the earth. On that day the LORD will be one and his name one.

Isaiah 9:7 (ESV)

⁷ Of the increase of his government and of peace there will be no end, on the throne of David and over his kingdom,

to establish it and to uphold it with justice and with righteousness from this time forth and forevermore. The zeal of the LORD of hosts will do this.

Daniel 7:27 (ESV)

²⁷ And the kingdom and the dominion and the greatness of the kingdoms under the whole heaven shall be given to the people of the saints of the Most High; his kingdom shall be an everlasting kingdom, and all dominions shall serve and obey him.'

Revelation 19:11-16 (ESV)

¹¹ Then I saw heaven opened, and behold, a white horse! The one sitting on it is called Faithful and True, and in righteousness he judges and makes war. ¹² His eyes are like a flame of fire, and on his head are many diadems, and he has a name written that no one knows but himself. ¹³ He is clothed in a robe dipped in blood, and the name by which he is called is The Word of God. ¹⁴ And the armies of heaven, arrayed in fine linen, white and pure, were following him on white horses. ¹⁵ From his mouth comes a sharp sword with which to strike down the nations, and he will rule them with a rod of iron. He will tread the winepress of the fury of the wrath of God the Almighty. ¹⁶ On his robe and on his thigh he has a name written, King of kings and Lord of lords.

9. _____ will worship Him as Lord of All.

Zechariah 14:16 (ESV)

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Romans 14:11 (ESV)

¹¹ for it is written, "As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to me, and every tongue shall confess to God."

Revelation 15:4 (ESV)

⁴ Who will not fear, O Lord, and glorify your name? For you alone are holy. All nations will come and worship you ..."

Revelation 22:6-17 (ESV)

⁶ And he said to me, "These words are trustworthy and true. And the Lord, the God of the spirits of the prophets, has sent his angel to show his servants what must soon take place." ⁷ "And behold, I am coming soon. Blessed is the one who keeps the words of the prophecy of this book."

⁸ I, John, am the one who heard and saw these things. And when I heard and saw them, I fell down to worship at the feet of the angel who showed them to me, ⁹ but he said to me, "You must not do that! I am a fellow servant with you and your brothers the prophets, and with those who keep the words of this book. Worship God." ¹⁰ And he said to me, "Do not seal up the words of the prophecy of this book, for the time is near. ¹¹ Let the evildoer still do evil, and the filthy still be filthy, and the righteous still do right, and the holy still be holy."

¹² "Behold, I am coming soon, bringing my recompense with me, to repay each one for what he has done. ¹³ I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end." ¹⁴ Blessed are those who wash their robes, so that they may have the right to the tree of life and that they may enter the city by the gates.

¹⁵ Outside are the dogs and sorcerers and the sexually immoral and murderers and idolaters, and everyone who loves and practices falsehood. ¹⁶ "I, Jesus, have sent my angel to testify to you about these things for the churches. I **am the root and the descendant of David**, the bright morning star." ¹⁷ The Spirit and the Bride say, "Come." And let the one who hears say, "Come." And let the one who is thirsty come; let the one who desires take the water of life without price.